January 13, 1995

TO: COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: PESTICIDE ILLNESS INVESTIGATIONS

As announced last year, we will be as prompt as possible in sending cases to be investigated. You will begin getting 1995 cases soon, whether or not 1994 cases are complete. We trust that you will balance various requirements in prioritizing your workload, including old and new illness investigations.

One consideration we would like you to bear in mind is that we are trying to make illness summary reports more timely. Our goal is to complete analysis of each year's cases before the following year ends. To accomplish this, we must have the investigation reports before that summer. Please review your outstanding illness investigations for 1994 and try to schedule them for completion by May 1995.

Thank you very much for your help. And best wishes for a healthy, happy New Year.

Sincerely,

[Original signed by John M. Donahue]

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